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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Sir:

**NOTIFICATION OF ERROR IN PAYMENT OF FEE(S)  
AS A SMALL ENTITY (37 C.F.R. §1.28(c))**

**Erroneous Filing of Small Entity Statement**

1. On February 17, 1997, Patent Owner (the assignee) erroneously filed a small entity assertion for this patent.
2. Patent Owner made this small entity assertion in good faith and paid the small entity fee(s) in good faith.
3. Patent Owner recently learned that its small entity assertion was made in error, although such assertion was made in good faith. More particularly, Patent Owner believed in good faith

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that it was entitled to assert small entity status, at the time this assertion was made. Patent Owner has now learned that it was not so entitled. With this paper, Patent Owner rectifies this situation by identifying and paying the large entity amounts as identified below, i.e., the full deficiencies.

4. Itemization of the Fee(s) Erroneously Paid as a Small Entity

Filing Date of Original Paper	Type of Fee Paid	Column A Current Fee as a large entity	Column B Amount originally paid	Deficiency Owed (based on current fee amount) Col. A minus Col. B)
2/17/1997	Filing Fee	\$850	\$385	\$465
11/3/1997	Issue Fee	\$1510	\$660	\$850
8/29/2001	3.5 yr. Maintenance Fee	\$980	\$425	\$555
8/25/2005	7.5 yr. Maintenance Fee	\$2480	\$1150	\$1330
9/1/2009	11.5 yr. Maintenance Fee	\$4110	\$2055	\$2055
TOTAL				\$5255

5. Patent Owner respectfully requests that the total deficiency owed, i.e., an amount of \$5,255, be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

In view of payment of the deficiency per 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c), Patent Owner respectfully requests that the USPTO correct the file to indicate large entity status, and that the erroneous establishment of status as small entity be excused. If any additional fees are necessary to complete this communication, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,  
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